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Dear Resident,

SVH currently has zero confirmed cases of COVID-19 in residents and one confirmed case in staff.

If you were exposed to a positive COVID-19 case, you will be immediately alerted by SD DOH, SVH Infection Prevention as well as your RCC would be involved testing, monitoring and potential quarantine process.

No residents were exposed by the current positive staff member.

The positive staff member is on quarantine and any exposures have been quarantined, SD DOH has already completed contact tracing and is directly involved in ongoing monitoring and instruction.

We continue to follow all precautions based on CDC and Department of Health recommendations to ensure the safety of our residents.

We want to ensure you that we are taking all precautions per federal and state guidelines to protect the residents and staff at the facility.

Increased environmental services and cleaning are in place at this time. All entry and exit to the facility, continues to be limited to one entrance and all staff are being screened upon entry.

Staff are required to wear masks (at all times) while in the facility, social distancing is implemented and all activities are limited to groups of 10 or less.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can call administration at 605-745-5127 x1500116 or Rachelle Infection Preventionist at 605-745-5127 ext 1500339 regarding questions about COVID-19 and the facility.

Sincerely,
Rachelle Butler, RN
Infection Preventionist